### INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Lerov A. McCrobie House	Survey Number: G- IV-A-263
Project: US 219/Oakland Vicinity Improvement Project	Agency: MSHA
Site visit by MHT Staff: No Yes Name	Date
Eligibility recommended Eligibility <b>not</b> recommended X	
Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A	B C D E F G None
Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessdary and attach map)	
The Leroy A. McCrobie House, with its core built <i>circa</i> 1870, relates to the nineteent Mountain Lake Park region as a resort area. Mountain Lake Park was founded in 1888 Chautauquas begun in New York state in the late nineteenth century. Situated a short rail line, Mountain Lake Park in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries combinto a wholesome retreat. But unlike Deer Park and Oakland where the B & O had but Lake Park emphasized more modest, privately-owned family units, and thus smaller, shouse is a good example of the area's late nineteenth-century architecture.  esearch has not identified any associations with the lives of persons significant to the contributed significantly to broad patterns of the area's historical development. The addistinctive type, period, or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction to yield significant information important in history or prehistory.	as a Christian resort community modeled after the distance east of Oakland and adjacent to the B & O pined religious, educational, and cultural activities uilt large lodgings for its wealthy patrons, Mountain single-family dwellings predominated. The McCrobie Coakland area's past or with events that have rehitecture does not represent a particularly master, possess high artistic values, or represent a
Document on the property/district is presented in: Historic Structures Inventory and (KCI/MSHA 1997)	Determination of Eligibility Report
Prepared by: Gabrielle M. Lanier/KCI Technologies, Inc.	i si ka
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Selvices	
NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable	<del>7</del>
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Reviewer, NR program	Date

Leroy A. McCrobie G-IV-A-263 86 Wolf Acres Drive Oakland Vicinity Circa 1870 and circa 1900 Private

This is a two-story, three-by-three-bay, gable-roofed, L-plan frame dwelling with a one-story shed-roofed addition, a one-story shed-roofed enclosed entry, and a one-story shed-roofed open-sided porch. The L-plan configuration is the result of two different building episodes: the original main block of the house probably stood as a two-story center-passage plan dwelling and may have had its front entrance reoriented to the opposite elevation. It is built with a stone and brick foundation, asphalt-shingled and wooden drop-sided walls, and a rolled asphalt gable roof with an exterior concrete block chimney. Windows are mostly one-over-one, double-hung wooden sash with wooden trim. Most door openings contain paneled wooden or half-glass doors with wooden surrounds. A two-car garage also stands on the lot. The house faces south-southeast and occupies a flat, open piece of land overlooking the site of the former Weber greenhouse complex about one mile southeast of Oakland.

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1. Name of P	Property (i	ndicate preferred na	me)		
historic					
other	Leroy A	. McCrobie			
2. Location			1 1002		
street & number	86 Wolf A	Acres Drive		not for p	ublication
city, town	Oakland			_X_ vicinity	
county	Garrett				
3. Owner of	Property	(give names and ma	ailing addresses of all owne	rs)	
name	Leroy A.	McCrobie			
street & number	86 Wolf	Acres Drive	<del></del>	telephone 3	01-334-3177
city, town	Oakland			state and zip code	MD 21550
4. Location of	of Legal De	escription			
courthouse, registry of	deeds, etc. Gar	rett County Courtho	use	tax map and parce	78-21-35
city, town	Oa	kland		liber and folio	661/235
5. Primary Lo	ocation of	Additional	Data		
Contributing Results Determined Eligit Determined Inclided Recorded by HAI	jible for the Nationa	onc District Register/Maryland F al Register/Maryland			
6. Classifica	tion				
district _	public X private both	agriculture agriculture commerce/trade defense domestic education funerary government health care industry	landscape recreation, culture religion social transportation work in progress unknown vacant/not in use other:	i 0 1 Number of Con	t ncontributing  1 buildings 0 sites 0 structures 0 objects 1 Total  tributing Resources d in the Inventory

7. Description	Inventory No. G-IV-A-263	
Condition  excellent deteriorated good ruins fair altered		

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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The original main block of the house stands furthest to the north. This portion of the house rests on an uncoursed, roughly-dressed stone foundation, while the other part of the L-plan rests on a brick foundation. The earliest section of the house is clad in green asphalt fishscale shingles on three sides; the southeastern elevation of this section and all of the walls of the newer section are clad in white drop siding. Both of these main portions of the house are trimmed with flat white wooden comer boards. The original main block is further omamented with a continuous compound beveled and flat wooden board forming a dripstone course at the top of the foundation line. The building is topped with a rolled asphalt gable roof finished with a boxed wooden eave. The earliest section of the house is finished with a plain flat verge and a flat wooden frieze board, while the later section is ornamented with a plain flat verge with a molded frieze board. An exterior concrete block chimney rises on the northeast gable, and a single rectangular metal louver pierces this same gable near the peak of the roof.

A narrow plywood-clad shed-roofed entry projects from the southeast elevation. This entry is about four feet square and stands on a brick foundation. A second, somewhat larger, one-story shed-roofed frame addition runs along the northeast side of the house. This addition is built on a concrete block foundation, sheathed in asbestos shingles, and covered with a corrugated metal roof. Three-over-one double-hung wooden sash windows finished with flat wooden surrounds and sills light this addition.

Windows on the main block consist primarily of single or paired one-over-one, double-hung wooden sash finished with flat wood surrounds and sills and topped with compound molded or flat drip caps. A few one-light fixed sash windows pierce the southern end of the building and also light the small shed-roofed entry. The primary door opening, which is located on the southwest elevation beneath the porch roof, contains a paneled wooden half-glass door. A second entrance, opening into the large shed-roofed addition on the southeast side of the building, contains a paneled wooden six-light half-glass door. A third entrance, on the southeast side of the small shed-roofed entry, contains a four-panel wooden door topped with a one-light transom. All three entrances are finished with flat wooden surrounds.

The front porch is built on a stone foundation. It is topped with a carpeted concrete deck and consists of six-by-six wooden posts, a standing seam metal shed roof, a wooden ceiling, and beaded wooden sheathing in the gables. A set of brick and concrete steps leads up to the porch. An open wooden deck projects from the southeast corner of the building. No balustrade or railing encircles this deck.

A one-story, gable-roofed, gable-fronted two-car garage stands west of the house. This building is clad and roofed with corrugated metal. An overhead metal garage door and a standard-sized wood and glass door provide access to the interior. The aluminum cladding appears to be covering an earlier layer of siding and roofing. The foundation of this building is also concealed behind an aluminum skirt.

The house and garage stand in the middle of a teardrop-shaped driveway that leads southeastward from Old 219 (Weber Road), runs along the western side of the house and garage, and circles back around both buildings to rejoin itself at the northwest corner of the property. The house is presently occupied and remains in good condition.

8. Signific	ance		Inventory No. G-IV-A-263	
Period1600-16991700-1799X 1800-18991900-19992000-	Areas of Significance agriculture archeology architecture art commerce communications community planning conservation	Check and justify below  economics education engineering entertainment/     recreation ethnic heritageX exploration/     settlement	health/medicine industry invention landscape architecture law literature maritime history military	performing arts philosophy politics/government religion science social history transportation other:
Specific dates	Circa 1870 and circa 1900	Builder/Architect	Unknown	
Evaluation for:				
X National Re	egister Maryland Re	gister not eva	aluated	

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual).

The Leroy A. McCrobie House, with its core built *circa* 1870, relates to the nineteenth and early twentieth-century development of the Mountain Lake Park region as a resort area. Mountain Lake Park was founded in 1881 as a Christian resort community modeled after the Chautauquas begun in New York state in the late nineteenth century. Situated a short distance east of Oakland and adjacent to the B & O rail line, Mountain Lake Park in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries combined religious, educational, and cultural activities into a wholesome retreat. But unlike Deer Park and Oakland where the B & O had built large lodgings for its wealthy patrons, Mountain Lake Park emphasized more modest, privately-owned family units, and thus smaller, single-family dwellings predominated. The McCrobie house is a good example of the area's late nineteenth-century architecture.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:			
	MARYLAND COMPRI	EHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA	
Geographic Org	anization:	Western Maryland	
Chronological/D	evelopmental Period(s):	Industrial / Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930	
Historic Period T	Theme(s):	Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Plan	nning
Resource Type:			
Catego	ry:	Building	
Historic	Environment:	Rural / suburban	
Historic	: Function(s) and Use(s):	Dwelling	

None

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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(See Continuation Sheet)

### 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 1.29 acres

Acreage surveyed 1.29 acres

Quadrangle name Oakland, MD - WVA

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_1:24000

#### Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 35, Map 78, Grid 21

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Gabrielle M. Lanier, Architectural Historian		
organization	KCI Technologies, Inc.	date	2/18/97
street & number	10 North Park Drive	telephone	410-316-7857
city or town	Hunt Valley	state and zip code	MD 21030-1888

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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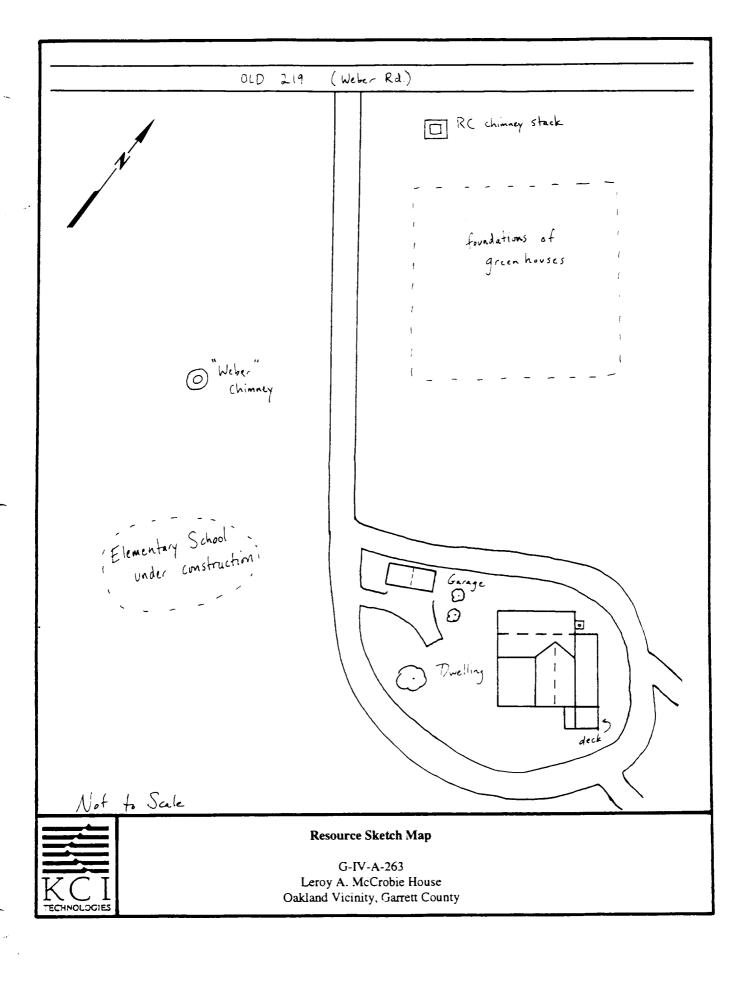
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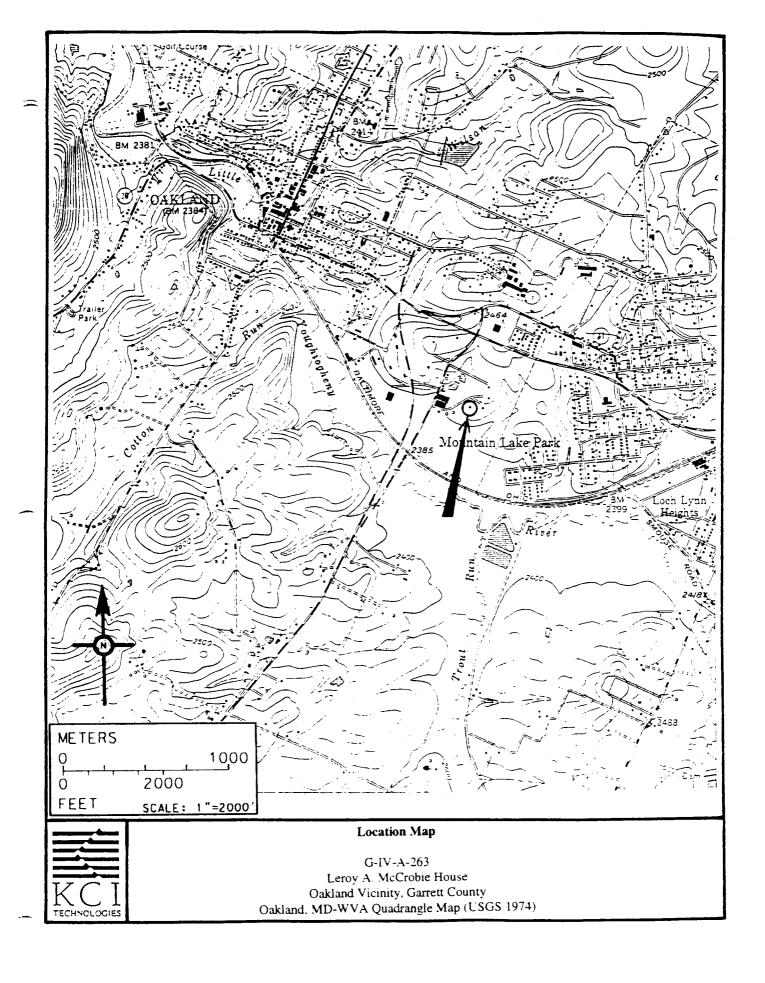
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